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SY CHANNEL FOR RSO FROM SAS

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: ASEC

SUBJECT: CLAUS SKUPIN

REF: BONN 08178

1. VERNE ST. MARS HAS MET MR. SKUPIN ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS DURING MEETINGS OF THE AMERICAN SOCIETY FOR INDUSTRIAL SECURITY (ASIS). HE IS A GERMAN NATIONAL, 45-50 YEARS OLD, SPEAKS FLUENT ENGLISH. IN CONVERSATIONS WITH ST. MARS HE INDICATED HE HAS SERVED OVERSEAS, CAPACITY UNKNOWN, AND AT ONE TIME WAS POSTED IN NEW DELHI. HE GAVE THE IMPRESSION TO ST. MARS THAT HE WAS WELL CONNECTED WITH THE WEST GERMAN POLICE.

2. SKUPIN IMPRESSED ST. MARS AS BEING KNOWLEDGEABLE AND ARTICULATE ABOUT INTERNATIONAL TERRORIST MATTERS. HE CLAIMS TO BE A SECURITY CONSULTANT. ST. MARS BELIEVES THAT SKUPIN IS SELF-EMPLOYED. SKUPIN SERVES ON THE ASIS SUBCOMMITTEE ON  
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INTERNATIONAL TERRORISM AND WAS A SPEAKER AT THE BOSTON CONVENTION OF ASIS. HIS TOPIC WAS "TERRORISM AND SECURITY PROBLEMS IN GERMANY".

3. ST. MARS FEELS THAT SKUPIN'S CONTACTS WITH GEORGE CLEE, PSO, HAMBURG, MAY STEM FROM ST. MARS ADVICE TO U.S. BUSINESSMEN (AT ASIS CONVENTION) TO CONTACT STATE DEPART-

MENT SECURITY OFFICERS ABROAD FOR ASSISTANCE, SECURITY ADVISORIES, ETC. HE RECALLS HAVING A DISCUSSION WITH SKUPIN ABOUT THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF SECURITY OFFICERS ABROAD.

4. SAS WILL ATTEMPT TO OBTAIN FURTHER INFORMATION CONCERNING SKUPIN FROM DEPARTMENT AND AGENCY SOURCES. SUGGEST THAT RSO MAKE INQUIRIES WITH WEST GERMAN POLICE. WE WOULD BE INTERESTED IN RESULTS OF YOUR INQUIRY BECAUSE OF SKUPIN'S ACTIVE INTEREST AND PARTICIPATION IN ASIS ACTIVITIES AND HIS CONTACTS WITH AMERICAN BUSINESSMEN THROUGH ASIS.

5. ST. MARS HAS NO KNOWLEDGE OF SKUPIN ACTING AS A CONSULTANT OF "VARIOUS HIGH LEVEL INTER-GOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEES IN WASHINGTON...". HE MAY HAVE CHARACTERIZED HIS MEMBERSHIP IN ASIS TO GIVE THAT IMPRESSION. CHRISTOPHER

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